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Gingerbread kids

Children at the Christmas Carnival, held in the MPR by the Town on Friday, decorated gingerbread houses, and themselves, with festive candies, amoung other fun activites on their day off school.

Trial ordered in alleged shaken baby case

by Dan Singleton

A 22-year-old Red Deer man has been ordered to stand trial in a so-called shaken baby case in Didsbury.

John Vachon faces charges of criminal negligence causing bodily harm, failing to provide the necessities of life and aggravated assault.

His three-day preliminary hearing was held before Judge Manfred Delong in Didsbury provincial court Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday.

A 17-month old girl, who cannot be named, was taken to hospitals in Didsbury, Olds and Calgary with potentially permanent eye and brain injuries, as well as a broken leg, in Oct. 2004, say police.

The accused is an acquaintance of the child's mother.

A publication ban prohibits reporting on testimony given during the preliminary hearing.

The aggravated assault charge carries a maximum penalty of 14 years imprisonment.

Dr. Neil Cooper, an expert on child abuse with Alberta Children's Hospital, said shaken baby syndrome can be caused by violent shaking and or hitting of a child. "About a quarter of kids who are injured in that way die, and about another half of those kids have severe brain injuries to the point where they never wake

.Dr. Neil Cooper, child abuse expert with Alberta Children's Hospital The shaking leads to swelling inside the skull, which, in turn, cuts off oxygen to the brain, he said.

"About a quarter of kids who are injured in that way die," said Cooper. "And about another half

"And about another half of those kids have severe brain injuries to the point where they never wake up."

Crown prosecutor Ian McKay, defence lawyer Tony Managh, and the accused all declined to comment following court.

Vachon, who is out on bail, will be back in court on Feb. 8 to set a trial date. He has elected to be tried by Judge alone in Court of Queen's Bench.

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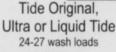
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Many opportunities left to help



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Linda Sirr proudly stands with the 'Mountain of Toys' Didsburians donated this past Friday at the Didsbury Firehall. All the gift items donated will go to local families in need, through the Christmas Hampers project.

by Linda Sirr

Thank you to all who brought donations to the Mtn. of Food & Toys at the firehall, Friday Dec/2005. It is not too late.

You can still help, please pick up an angel from the trees at Marko's Bakery or Victoria Square Mall, buy an age appropriate gift, attach the angel and drop it off at the post office no later than

Please be aware these angels represent real people with real needs. You did so well last year with this. It made my job easier and the gifts were so much better. Let's Do It Again.

Also needed names of people requiring help this Christmas. Please phone 335-3629. Don't let anyone be missed. Cut off date is Dec. 19.

Cash or cheques may be made out to ZEMC (Zion

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Evangelical Missionary Church) please mark Christmas Helpers on the cheque, so you can be receipted. The money buys additional food and meat vouchers for all names in the program.

If you can please find it in your heart reach out to our neighbors within our borders, you never know when the tables could be turned and you may be on the receiving end.

Finally come and bring this year to a wonderful close. Gift wrapping and food sorting at the Zion Church Dec. 21 at 7:00. Many people make this a family event. Why not come! ALL HANDS ALL AGES!

For the last number of years attendance has been low at the annual Christmas Day Dinner at the Elks Hall Christmas Day Dec. 25. Up to 15 volunteers work to make this traditional din-

This is done as a gift to people in the area so that no one has to be alone. There is no charge. Please come or let the ones you know who are alone in on this great

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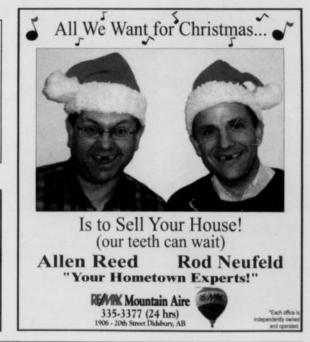


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Health care an issue for all **Wild Rose candidates**

by Dan Singleton

All four Wild Rose candidates say health care will be one of the most important issues facing Canadians over the next decade. However, the parties and the candidates have widely varying views on what needs to be done to keep Canadians healthy.
The 2005-2006 federal election

campaign, launched with the fall of the government on Nov. 28, ends with a vote on Jan. 23.

There are four candidates in Wild Rose: NDP candidate Shan-non Nelles, Green Party candidate Sean Maw, four-term Conserva-tive MP Myron Thompson, and Liberal candidate Judy Stewart. The riding includes Sundre, Olds, Didsbury, Carstairs, Cochrane and Airdrie.

Health care in central Alberta is covered by the David Thompson Health Region, one of nine government-appointed health au-

thorities in the province.

A national poll released last week placed health care as the number one issue for voters across Canada.

Conservative candidate Thompson says his party's plans for a so-called health care guar-antee will ensure patients receive sential treatment with reasonable waiting times.

"The guarantee is a positive, forward looking plan to protect Canada's public health system while complying with the princi-ples of the Canada Health Act, treating all patients equally for es-sential health care services regards of ability to pay, and maintaining a single payer, public funded health care system," said Thompson.

The concept of the guarantee is that patients must be able to receive treatment in a medically acceptable maximum time for publicly insured service. If this is not available in their own area, they must be given the option of receiving treatment elsewhere."

A Conservative government would increase the number of doctors and nurses by working with the provinces and territories to expand educational programs for health care professionals, said Thompson.

Liberal candidate Stewart says the Conservative plan is unworkable because it doesn't adequately address the need for more doctors and nurses

"I think health care is a huge issue for the nation and I've been looking at this from the perspective from Wild Rose," said Stewart. "The money that is coming from the federal Liberal gov ernment right now is being used to decrease wait times.

"The problem I see with the Conservative proposal is it doesn't do anything to address the shortage of doctors and nurses and that's the main issue. You can have health care where you can have points and credits, but if there are no doctors and nurses then you are not going to be able to function - unless you have a

to function - unless you have a private system in place.
"I don't know how they plan to put this into practice. It sounds good on paper, but practically un-less you have the staff in the pub-

lic system ready to meet the de-mands, I don't know how you are going to do it."

The money the Liberals have been sending to the province in federal transfers has been used in most cases to hire more staff and open up more hospital spaces, and "to work with the provincial government to make sure they have an accountable system for reducing waiting times," she

NDP candidate Nelles s her party will defend publicly funded health care against any

plans to private care.
"I fear that these guarantees are leading along the line to a private health care system," said Nelles. "We are try-ing to stop a two-tier health care system from growing. We are very much against private system, and we want to see health care available for all.

"The NDP started the Medi-

care system and we want to see it continue. It should be equal to all and not a due system or a pay at the top."

Asked about how the public vstem can continue to cover the increasing costs of health care, Nelles said, "I do have the hope that we can maintain it. The NDP is specifically advocating that we attach condi-tions on federal transfers to prevent them from being used for dual pay health care and we are working very hard for the public system, including in Wild Rose."

Green Party candidate Maw said the party would promote healthy activities such as sport and making healthy choices in regards to diet.

"The Green Party is about proactive health care, prevent-ing health care problems so the resulting burden is manage-able," said Maw. "It's reasonable that there be limits on wait times. What the public healthcare system should be there for is to cover you when you get sick form something

you didn't bring upon yourself.
"In terms of health care, we could be giving tax credits for companies that have fitness memberships for their employ-ees, something like that is a proactive approach to things. It's about providing support for good activities."

The federal government should provide more support for recreational facilities in Wild Rose, he said.

"If we provide fitness facilities, we're going to end up with a healthier population," he said. Green Party leader Jim

Harris says his party will fight any move towards private or

two-tier health care.
"The Green Party is opposed to two-tier care," said Harris. "We're not partially opposed. We're not opposed on alternate days only or only for certain ill-nesses. We're opposed, point fi-

A candidates forum is in the works for Olds College early in

the new year.

One is also in the works for Sundre, also in early January.





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Bergthal Mennonite Church gets in the Christmas Spirit



This past weekend a group of dedicated, hardworking locals set up an amazing variety of nativity creches at the Bergthal Mennonite Church Fellowship Hall, situated just east of Highway 2 between

Didsbury and Carstairs.

This is the third year in which the church has set up the different nativity scenes to try and get everyone in the festive spirit and remember what Christmas is all about.

Last year the church had 90 creches, and this year it grew to 150. Just imagine what next year will

These four ladies worked hard for the third year in a row in getting a wide variety of nativity creches set up at the Bergthal Church this past weekend. Above (L-R) Betty Fisher, Debbie Swanson, Susan Page, and Gay Best.

EDITORIAL

Christmas Hampers



TAMARA COLLINS

Opportunity surrounds all of us this time of year, the opportunity to give, and help make someone else's Christmas a special one.

The Christmas Hampers project is going again. Friday they hosted a Toy Mountain at the Fire Hall, and some wonderful gifts were received, but it was far from a mountain.

If everyone in the community could donate one item, then there would be thousands of gifts to go around for those who would otherwise go without this Christ-

mas.

Imagine your a little boy or girl, and for the last couple months the talk at school has been who is getting what for Christmas, kids wondering what Santa would bring them, now imagine thinking that Santa would not be coming at all. Knowing deep down that you would not be getting anything for Christmas, but part of you hoping that maybe, just maybe there was a way for you to get that doll or monster truck you really want, because you have been good all year.

Now imagine you are that little one's parent, and you want nothing more than for your child to have a wonderful Christmas, but knowing that you just can not afford to give it to

These are the kinds of families the things you donate to the Christmas Hampers go to. Families who need the help, and will not forget the warmth and big hearts in their community.

will not forget the warmth and big hearts in their community.

There is still lots of time to help, simply drop off a gift item, for any age, at the RE/MAX office in Didsbury, prior to Dec. 18.

I think Wallace Brower said it best, "It is more blessed to give than to receive."



Monderings of Sthe heart

by Margaret Fradley

"God Knows Our Needs"

Recently I read the following, the author is unknown to me, but I need to share it with my readers. It is a wonderful thing that God knows every need.

"If our greatest need was information, God would have sent an educator -

If our greatest need was technology, God would have sent us a scientist -

If our greatest need was money, He would have sent us an economist -

If our greatest need was for pleasure, God would have sent an entertainer -

But God knew our greatest need, it was forgiveness, and He sent a Saviour" -

As we enter this Christmas Season may we once gain be aware of the greatest gift ever given, the gift of God's Son, who came that we might experience forgiveness and have life and have it abundantly, and spend eternity with Him. What an unfathomable gift. Have we received this gift?

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Easing of Japanese border a major step for Alberta beef

The Alberta government welcomed news that Japan has introduced measures allowing entry of Canadian beef under 21 months that meet detailed verification procedures.

We are pleased that the Japanese market is opening to Canadian beef. Japan is a long-term valued trading partner and we are pleased to be moving forward," said Alberta Economic Develop-Minister Clint ment Dunford. "On behalf of the province, I want to thank the Japanese government for taking this major step towards re-establishing trade.

Speaking from Taipei, Taiwan prior to attending the WTO negotiations in Hong Kong, Alberta Agriculture, Food and Rural Development Minister Doug Horner was optimistic about the announcement. "We know we can provide the Japanese marketplace with safe, top-quality beef," he said. "But our producers and our industry can't rest on their laurels - we must continue to work on age verification of our cattle herd and reestablish ourselves in the competitive Japanese marketplace."

Minister Horner added that he hoped this announcement would prompt other Asian markets to reopen their markets to Alberta beef. "I've met with a number of beef importers while in Asia and they've all told me the same thing they value their trading re-

lationship with Alberta and they want it to continue. This announcement should help pave the way."

With approximately 70 per cent of Canada's fed cattle production, Alberta is Canada's major cattle-producing region and an important exporter of Canadian beef

Development of a system for traceability and age verification and state-of-the-art food safety systems like the one to remove specified risk materials from beef carcasses have all helped re-establish the reputation of Canadian beef.

Japan bought more than \$1.2 billion worth of Alberta goods last year and more than \$67 million worth of Alberta beef in 2002.



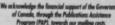
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The facts about the dog shooting

Dear Editor,

Dear Editor, Recent publishing of letters to the editor in the Didsbury Review regarding the dispatch of a dog have, against better judgment,

prompted me to respond.

The original letter (November 22 issue) signed by Eli James omit-ted a considerable amount of per-tinent information. This omission is perfectly understandable given the one-sided rendition of the events and the obvious plea for support in this emotionally charged scenario. Maybe it's time to get some facts straight. Fact 1: October 27, owner of

said dog was phoned to retrieve said and another dog from our farm yard and did retrieve it.

Fact 2: October 28, owner of said dog was phoned again to again retrieve said dog from our farm yard, there was no answer so a message was left on the an-swering machine. Fact 3: October 29, said dog

chased our pregnant cows through 4 barbed wire fences, across three-quarters of a mile of land into a section of our pasture that was open to the highway and onto the neighbour's land not properly fenced to contain livestock

Fact 4: Two cows had to be treated for injuries sustained from being chased through 4 barbed fences. The status of the cows with regard to them retaining their pregnancy remains to be de

Fact 5: Owner of said dog never offered to cover the cost of the re-pair of the 4 barbed wire fences or eterinary services required to treat the injuries the cows suffered as a result of the incident

Fact 6: We contacted the RCMP

who were in attendance when the owner retrieved the remains of the dog on October 30. If I had done anything unlawful, charges would have been laid at that time

Fact 7: No one should have to be subjected to the type of verbal abuse both over the phone and in person that was levied by the own-

ers of the dog.
Fact 8: Contrary to Cary MacWilliams' letter (December 6 Didsbury Review), a shotgun was never involved in this incident.

Fact 9: Contrary to Pat Bur-rows' letter (December 6 Didsbury Review), target practice was never consideration or the objective in this situation.

Apparently Pat Burrows can't recognize the difference between invited guests (mushers and sled dogs) and uncontrolled, damaging intruders (said dog).

Fact 10: Being confronted with the situation where my family and I could be put under scrutiny of the unknowing public, I could have simply indicated that I didn't know anything about said dog and would thereby have not been subjected to all the ignorant ranting of uninformed, emotional people It is a lesson worth learning and one all farmers should heed.

Fact 11: The only person who contacted me to investigate the circumstances surrounding the incident was the Editor of the Didsbury Review.

Fact 12: I have owned three dogs. I am currently steward of

about 7 barn cats (have never owned a cat myself, I'm allergic to them, I have no idea where they all come from). I have maintained a herd of purebred cattle for about 14 years. I feed herds of deer through the winter each year and provide home to a wide variety of

species through the summer. Fact 13: I am disappointed that I should be forced to take this kind of action to protect my cattle. I

am miffed that I should be under attack for dealing with a trespass-ing canine tormentor who harses and injures my cattle. Fact 14: I will continue to law-

fully protect my cattle from dogs whose owners choose not to assume their proper responsibility and allow their dogs to roam on my land and chase my cattle.

Bill Windsor

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Country Christmas Draw Winners

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Rural Community Grant Applications

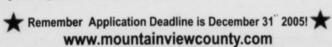
Opportunities for those operating recreation and cultural programs in the County

Mountain View County is now accepting applications for the 2006 Rural Community Grants. These grants provide funding to rural communities and organizations operating recreation and cultural programs and facilities in the County and may be used towards operating or capital expenditures. Applications must be filed no later than December 31" 2005.

Grants are generally directed to organizations that do not have access to regular funding from other sources. Council will review and prioritize each application according to need, contributions of time and funds by the organization, and availability of funds.

Grant application forms are available at the County Office or on-line.

For further information regarding this grant or to obtain an application form, please contact Joyce King at the County Office at 335-3311.





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Country Christmas

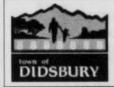
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TOWN COUNCIL:

January 3 and 17, 2006 - Council Chambers, 7:00 pm

MUNICIPAL PLANNING COMMISSION:

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Robert Wigg - Development Office

Special Constable recommendations released

by Tamara Collins

Enhancing and complementing policing services is the goal in the recommendations the government released this week, which suggest a consist-

"These recommendations should work out good. We aren't losing anything, these changes would benefit everyone. We would be able to assist the RCMP more than we are presently doing, plus we will be able to investigate minor traffic collisions."

> -Greg Hnatiuk, Didsbury special constable

ent standard of living, qualifications and uniforms for special constables across the province.

The government released 17 recommendations to update and expand Alberta's Special Constable Program, these recommendations in the Government MLA Review of the Special Constable Program, were drafted after extensive consultation with police, municipal and provincial officials and special constables over the last eight months.

"This has been in the works for awhile," said Greg Hnatiuk, Didsbury special constable. "After reading the review I think we will gain better communication, higher training standards, increased accountability, and new uniforms."

Some of the other recommendations include: changing the name from Special Constable Program to Public Security Peace Officer Program; creating levels of authority, such as Alberta Peace Officers (APO) and Com-munity Peace Officers (CPO); creating provincial use of force standards for APOs and CPOs; standardizing uniforms and vehicle markings; improving qualification standards: increasing training standards; increasing accountability; enhancing complaint process; and improving communication networking.

"These recommendations should work out good," said Cst. Hnatiuk. "We aren't losing anything, these changes would benefit everyone. We would be able to assist the RCMP more than we are presently doing, plus we will be able to investi-

gate minor traffic collisions."

These recommendations must now be passed by the legislature before they will be implemented.







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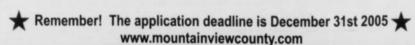


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Neighborhood

Didsbury RCMP teach safety for seniors



ohoto by Tamara Collins

Seniors gathered at the MPR on Thursday, to listen to Cst. Steve Woolnough of the Didsbury RCMP talk about safety for seniors in all aspects.

by Tamara Collins

Use common sense, listen to your instincts, and never give out personal information to strangers, these tips were advised to local seniors, for almost any situation, Thursday afternoon when Cst. Steve Woolnough of the Didsbury RCMP did a presentation on safety for seniors, in the MPR room.

Approximately 40 seniors attended the presentation, which included a 50 minute video about everything from car safety, safety when walking, hiring contractors, elder abuse, etc.

For all seniors, you are advised to always keep your doors and windows locked, keep sticks in your patio, and if possible an alarm system is always nice to have.

If you are going away, tell your neighbors, ask them to pick up your flyers, have lights and a radio on a timer so it looks like someone is home, and stop the newspaper from coming. While on vacation, break up your money so you are not keeping it all in the same place, and keep your valuables in the hotel safe.

All valuables such as your TV, stereo, jewellery, and art work, can be engraved with your driver's license or provincial ID number. Mark all things that may be the target of a thief, and keep your antiques in a safety deposit

box at the bank. Never keep large sums of money at home.

If possible seniors are recommended to become part of a community watch program, and to get to know their neighbors, which will increase the security in their lives by making people more aware of what is going on. If a stranger comes to your door, be pro-active, ask lots of questions, ask for ID, don't be intimidated, and if you feel at all uncomfortable, call the RCMP.

Elder abuse is an issue for seniors, an issue that is not often thought about. Elder abuse can come from family members or caregivers. If you know someone who is being abused, or you are being abused, report it. Reach out to someone you trust, and if you think you might know of someone who is suffering from this, watch for the signs. The signs are someone that is looking shabby or expressing fear, call the RCMP.

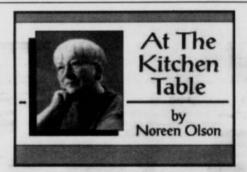
Car safety was also a major issue on the video, telling seniors to make sure your car is filled with gas, tires filled, and to know where you are going before any trip. Check your backseat before getting in, and keep doors locked and windows closed. At night, only drive on lighted streets, and keep an emergency kit on hand. If you are being

followed, don't drive home, drive to the local RCMP station, or a gas station or hospital. When out walking, always carry your ID and travel light by not carrying a purse. Walk with a purpose, avoid dark allies, know where you are going, and carry a flashlight if you will be out at night.

"No matter what, seniors need to be in constant contact with their families and loved ones," said Cst. Steve Woolnough, Didsbury

"The world is not full of bad guys, but you have to be aware, and if you are unsure, call us. Don't hide in your home all the time, but just keep your radar on."





I often feel nostalgic about Christmas concerts. When I was a kid the Christmas Concert and the School Picnic were the reasons that we went to school. All the other stuff was just the means that made the concert and picnic possible. A teacher was judged largely by his or her concert so the concert was no small thing and a lot of sweat and tears went into its production. Recitations were a mainstay and there was lots of scope for drama, humour or pathos. This was my brother Allan's School Concert recitation when he was ten or twelve and he recited it often as an adult. We always referred to it as 'Allan's poem' and it was an insert in the memorial card at his fu-

COWBOY'S LAMENT

What's that sir, no hosses in heaven you say Hold on Mr. Preacher, don't talk thata way Don't call it a country of pleasure and rest To us sun dried old punchers out here in the West Unless there's some hosses across the divide That we can pal with and rope and ride I don't want no wings nor no harp don't you see just want to live on in a land that is free Where nesters aint thick and fences are few And all honest cowboys have something to do want to bed down out under the sky Where I can count stars and clouds floating by want to feel lonesome when coyotes how I want to feel eerie when varmints prowl When I check in and lays down my rope I aint got much gospel, but this is my hope When I ride through green pastures and fields that are strange

I want to find old Slim waiting, up there on the range. Robert Louis Stevenson has always been a good source of children's $\,$ recitations. Mid length ones for grades 3 and 4 e.g.

FAREWELL TO THE FARM The coach is at the door at last; The eager children mounting fast And kissing hands, in chorus sing: Good-bye, Good-bye, to everything.

To house and garden, field and lawn, The meadow-gates we swang upon, To pump and stable, tree and swing, Good-bye, Good-bye, to everything

And fare you well for evermore, ladder at the hayloft door, O hayloft where the cobwebs cling, Good-Bye, Good-Bye, to everything.

And little ones for the grade ones. LOOKING FORWARD When I am grown to man's estate I shall be very proud and great, And tell the other girls and boys Not to meddle with my toys.

There always had to be at least one funny one. THE HAT There was a man who always wore A saucepan on his head.
I asked him what he did it for"I don't know why," he said.
"It always makes my ears so sore, I am a foolish man. I think I'll have to take it off, And wear a frying pan.

I'm sorry that recitations have fallen from favor. I think they served a valuable purpose in the educational system and if you have one to share, I'd love to hear it.

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Christmas Services at **Didsbury Churches**

by Marge St. Clair

1. Bergthal Church

Wed. Dec. 21 - 7:00 p.m.
"Blue Christmas"
Sat. Dec. 24 - 7:00 p.m.
Christmas Eve Candlelight

Service Sun. Dec. 25 - 11:00 a.m. Christmas Sunday Service

2. Chinook Winds Chris-

tian Center Fri. Dec. 16 - 6:30 p.m. Christmas Banquet at the Center. Tickets by phoning 335-3551. Guest speaker Pastor Ron Steenbrenner from Edmonton Bethesda Church.

Sun. Dec. 18 - 6:00 p.m. Kids program and party "Banquet with the King". Everyone is invited.

Sat. Dec. 24 - 5:00 p.m. Christmas Eve Service

3. Knox United Church Sun. Dec. 18 - 7:00 p.m. Sunday School Christmas Pageant, dessert to follow.

Wed. Dec. 21 - 7:00 p.m. "Blue Christmas"

Sat. Dec. 24 - 7:00 p.m. Stories & Carols; 9:00 p.m. Candlelight & Communion Sun. Dec. 25 - 10:00 a.m. Worship Service

4. Redeemer Lutheran Church

Sun. Dec. 18 - 7:00 p.m. Children's Program

Wed. Dec. 21, 22 & 23 7:45 p.m. Live Nativity

Sat. Dec. 24 - 7:30 p.m. Christmas Eve Worship Service Sun. Dec. 25 - 10:30 a.m.

Worship Service

5. St. Anthony's Catholic

Church Sat. Dec. 24 - 8:00 p.m. Mass in the MP Room at the Didsbury Complex.

6. St. Cyprian's Anglican Church Fri. Dec. 23 - 7:00 p.m Christmas Service Sunday School & Carols. Charles Alexander

7. Zion Evangelical Missionary Church

Eucharist Service.

Sun. Dec. 18 - 10:45 a.m. Sunday School and Christmas Choir

Sat. Dec. 24 - 7:00 p.m. Christmas Service

Sun. Dec. 25 - 10:45 a.m. Christmas Service

Sun. Jan. 1 - 10:45 a.m. New Year's Service

8. Mountain View Evangelical Missionary Church Sun. Dec. 18 - 6:30 p.m. Childrens Christmas Pro-

gram & Choir Sat. Dec. 24 - 7:00 p.m. Candlelight Service

Sun. Dec. 25 - 10:00 a.m. Sunday Service

Sun. Jan. 1 - 10:00 a.m. Sunday Service



Christmas Apparel

December 6th-19th

5 or more garments





Every child who is not in an organized school setting is invited to affend and perform a choral song at an

Old Fashioned Christmas Concert

Midway Community School Thursday, December 22nd 7:00 pm

Everyone is welcome



even Santa has promised to attend!

re interested in having your children take part, at 337-2332 or Terri Sperle at 337-0151 by Dr

Come Join Us and Celebrate

TRAVELER'S CHRISTMAS SERVICE

Carstairs Community Hall Wednesday, December 21 7:30 pm

"AND EVERYONE WENT TO HIS OWN TOWN TO REGISTER Luke 2:3



"AND SHE GAVE BIRTH TO HER FIRSTBORN. A SON. SHE WRAPPED HIM IN CLOTHS AND PLACED HIM IN A MANGER, BECAUSE THERE WAS NO ROOM FOR THEM IN THE INN." Luke 2:7

Carstairs Community Hall Saturday, December 24 7:30 pm



Eve Candle Light HRISTMAS

"GLORY BE TO GOD IN THE HIGHEST AND ON EARTH PEACE, GOOD WILL TOWARDS MAN." Luke 2:14

Didsbury Memorial Complex

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AROUND THE CIRCLE

Christmas Lights judging

by Marge St. Clair

Wed. Dec. 14

All are welcome to bring your favorite recipe of veggies, salad or dessert to go with the turkey already supplied to the 5-0 Club at 12:30 p.m.

Thurs. Dec. 15

The Chamber of Commerce members will be driving around tonight judging the local Christmas Light displays. If you are out of town please phone the Chamber office at 335-3265 with directions.

Fri. Dec. 16

This is the closing date for entries into the Didsbury Farm and Ranch Bonspiel being held Jan. 2 - 7th. Please phone entries to Neil Youngs at 335-4496.

Fri. Dec. 16th

Cribbage play will start at 7:00 p.m. at the 5-0 Centre. Come and join in the cards and the visiting over coffee and goodies.

Sat. Dec. 17

The Didsbury Colts will play against Lacombe at the

Didsbury Arena at 8:00 p.m. Come and cheer for them. Next home game will be Sat. Jan. 7 at 8:00 p.m. against Stettler.

Sun. Dec. 18

The annual Christmas Concert & Silent Auction and tea & goodies will start at 2 p.m. in the Westglen School Gymnasium. Music from the Concert Bands, the Jazz ensembles and the Vocal Jazz Ensemble will make for an afternoon you won't want to miss.

Sun. Dec. 18

Remax invites you to a free family swim tonight at the Didsbury Aquatic Centre.

If you have donations to the food bank that you haven't delivered yet, they will be gladly accepted tonight or any day at the Remax office from 10 a.m. - 4 p.m.

Tues. Dec. 20

Dr. Nugent will be at the 5-0 Centre from 12:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. No appointment necessary.

Westglen School has Christmas trees for sale, the proceeds will be donated to the Breakfast program, please call 335-8700 for info.

The Lions Club Bus will be doing tours of the Christmas Lights. Phone Lloyd at 335-2363 or Fay Punter 335-9387 for all the information.

The "Live Nativity" is inviting you to come to the Redeemer Lutheran Church Wed. Dec. 21, Thurs. Dec. 22 or Fri. Dec. 23 program starts at 7:45 p.m. Then enjoy cookies & hot choc. in the Gym.

Wed. Dec. 28

Please phone Bea 335-3058 or Gen 335-3449 to reserve your seat to Cash Casino, Calgary, bus leaves Complex at 4:00 p.m. (note new time).

Please note: The Didsbury Memorial Complex and the Didsbury Aquatic Centre will be closed Sat. Dec. 24, Sun. Dec. 25 and Mon. Dec. 26.

New Year's Eve, there will be a dance at the Lone Pine Hall with live music by the Dean Ray Band. Tickets by phoning 335-4035, includes a late night buffet.





Grades 1-4 Kids Crafts Mon. + Wed. 3:30-4:30 Beginning February 2, 2006 Sign Up Now Seating for 10, Going fast

> Hours: fonday through Wednesday 5:00am - 4:00pm Thursday & Friday associationations



Water: Use Only When Necessary





As part of the SEEDS Foundation water challenge elementary school students protect and preserve water

The children of Pines Community School in Red Deer had a lot to celebrate this March. That's when their school became the first in Alberta to complete the SEEDS (Society, Environment and Energy Development Studies) Foundation Alberta Centennial Water Challenge.

The Challenge, an invitation to elementary school students to take actions at home to protect and preserve water, is sponsored by Devon Canada Corporation. It is a small but important component of Devon's larger water management plan.

"Devon Canada can be commended for having an integrated plan resulting in an 18 per cent reduction in overall water use," says Bev Yee, Assistant Deputy Minister, Alberta Environment. The reduction has allowed Devon to return an unused fresh water license to Alberta Environment in 2004 and actively evaluate others for return or reduction, so as not to hold unneeded permits.

The company has tracked its water usage since 2001. Volumes are metered and reported through various internal systems

Because of this approach and attention to water management, one of Devon's senior executives now represents the industry on the multi-stakeholder Alberta Water Council — a group that will help carry out the provincial Water for Life Strategy.

"Industry involvement in community-based educational activities that support water conservation is vital to the success of the Water for Life strategy," says Yee. "Commitments like this will help us achieve the provincial goal of improving water use efficiency by 30 per cent by 2015."

For more information on Alberta's water strategy visit www.waterforlife.gov.ab.ca.

Go to www.seedsfoundation.ca to learn more about SEEDS' energy and environmental education programs.

Coaching Safety into a Winning Team



Burlington safety coaches Jack Brazel and Richard VanDebon

"By personally visiting our rig site, the safety coach gives hands-on direction to make sure everyone knows the safe way," says Colin Baron. Baron is a driller on Phelps Drilling Rig Number 53 and like all sports fans, knows you need a good coach to field a winning team. Players may have unique expertise but forging them into a championship team takes top coaching.

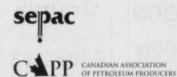
Drilling contractor crews are made up of individuals with their own skill sets and experience levels. In high-activity areas like the rig floor, using tongs, laying down drill pipe and running casing require the utmost care and attention to safety. This is especially important when crews have limited experience working as a team.

Traditionally, drilling industry safety programs have focused on equipment inspections, basic safety training, incident reporting, contractor orientations and implementation of program requirements. But Burlington Resources Canada Ltd. saw the need for a new tactic that focuses on people rather than equipment: a safety coach.

Focusing on rigs and crews with previous incidents or less-seasoned workers, Burlington successfully piloted this new drilling safety initiative. They provided safety coaches to 44 contracted rigs to guide, demonstrate, advise and mentor crews. The plan included one-on-one coaching of well site supervisors and other personnel. It's hands-on and interactive — learning how to work together to be aware of hazards and inexperience on the job. At the end of 2004, the first season of coaching, Burlington saw a 40 per cent reduction in total recordable incidents.

Burlington has hired three full-time coaches and extended the program to its well servicing operations. Drilling contractors are also pleased.

"A safety coach is another piece of the puzzle as we strive to achieve an incident-free workplace," says Baron, "and take Phelps Drilling and Burlington where we want to be — at the top of the safety ladder."





HOURS:

Mon - Fri 8:00am - 9:00pm Saturdays 8:00am - 6:00pm Sundays & Holidays

10:00am - 6:00pm **ATM Machine**

by Tamara Collins

Special Constable spreads Christmas spirit



If you are driving in Didsbury this month, following all the traffic laws, and maybe even going above and beyond the call of duty in the Christmas spirit, and still get pulled over, don't be alarmed!

Up until Christmas Didsbury's Special Constable Greg Hnatiuk will be pulling over drivers who are being safe, and going above and beyond the call

ing them with a gift package.
"During the Christmas se son people are always rushing around in a panic," said Cst. Hnatiuk. "We wanted to try something different to slow people down, and spread some Christmas cheer." Cst. Hnatiuk and Town Interim CAO Roy Brown came up with the idea to-gether, something that has been done in the past in other com-

munities, but not in Didsbury. Stopping for pedestrians, obeying all signs, and watching your speed, are a few of the things Cst. Hnatiuk will be watching for.

Included in the package will be a Town pin, some 'Think and Drive' items such as a magnet, pad of paper, ruler, and gift cer-tificates from local businesses,

including a free small fries at

So far Hnatiuk has 15 packages to give out, but if more businesses donate items for them, he would like to have 15

"It would be nice to give out a couple a day until Christmas," said Cst. Hnatiuk. "We just want everyone to have a happy and safe Christmas."

The meaning of Christmas shared at the outdoor nativity

Spend an evening outside under the stars, snow flakes surrounding you, cuddled up with your loved ones in a warm blanket, at the Redeemer Lutheran Church, and witness the Christmas miracle right before your

On Dec. 21, 22 and 23, starting at 7:45 p.m., the Church will once again host the Outdoor Live Nativity, where actors from their congregation, will come together and preform the birth of Jesus Christ for the whole community to enjoy. The play will run approximately 25 min-utes, and it will include real ani-

"We have had some really beautiful years," said Pastor Robert Mohns. "We are hoping for one of those years again.

After the performance, hot chocolate and goodies will be served in the gymnasium. Everyone is welcome to come in, warm up, and visit with friends and neighbors

"We usually have people visiting for quite a while," said Pastor Mohns. "In this community a lot of people know one another, and during this season a lot of people are coming back into town, so it is a great oppor tunity to catch up with old friends." Each of the three eve-nings of the show, members of the congregation rotate acting in the play, many who have been involved for a number of years.

Glen Kershaw has been providing the animals for the show, for over twenty years. The Town also provides a lot of support ever since the Church started putting them on.

"Without the help from peo ple in the community, we would not be able to do this year after year," said Pastor Mohns. "We have been doing it for over 20 years. I look at it like this, the announcement of Jesus' birth happened in the community first, so in a community is really the place the announcement should take place. You can find the meaning when families and communities are all together."
You are asked to come pre-

pared, dress warm and bring a blanket to wrap around you, for extra heat. "You don't find these dynamics in many other commu-nities," said Pastor Mohns. "Christmas in Didsbury means more, people support one another. This is just another one of the wonderful things that happens that week, like the Christmas Hampers, another example of the community coming together to help and support each other.

Pastor Mohns says that every year when the shows are over, they start receiving letters from people, thanking them for putting it on, and telling the difference it made in their holidays. This touches many people's hearts, to know that they are part of something larger," said Pastor Mohns. "It takes the fo-cus off their own problems." Everyone is encouraged to

come out, enjoy the Nativity, be part of a larger community and together share in the birth of



Pastor Robert Mohns

Monthly youth events at Zion Church



On Dec. 14 at the Zion Evan gelical Church starting at 6:30

p.m., youth grades 7 and up are invited to 'The Back Door', a

number of various activities to participate in, including an in-door skate park, followed by a punk concert.

We use that name because you have to get in through the back door," said Zion Youth Pastor Colin Creighton.

"After the Hub closed the youth lost that place to go and hang out, so we are trying to accomplish that, but not to the same extent.

The Back Door' includes a coffee house, foosball tables, a gym, and now an indoor skate park. This will be the second time the skate park has been in-

"We are going to start having these once a month in the New Year, on Fridays," said

Creighton.
"If you build it, they will

Waivers must be signed by parents to use the skate park, and helmets must be worn. The cost is \$5 at the door, and that will include the performances of the bands KIROS and Winter's Longing.

KIROS is from Calgary, and they have been featured on Much Music, and they have went on the Vans Tour. Winter's Longing is from Three Hills. both bands are punk. The bands

will start playing about 7:30 p.m.
"This is a positive alternative lead by students," Creighton.

"It is by students for stu-dents. We are trying to provide something that is a variety of things, and we have had a lot of help from the community to do



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A healthy student equals a better student

by Tamara Collins

Local schools have been providing nutritious options in vending machines and making healthy alternatives available to students, and now in the legis-lature, Education Minister Gene Zwozdesky said that although junk food will not be banned in schools, he plans to include healthy eating and smart lifestyle choices in the new curriculum for all schools. Chinook's Edge School Divi-

sion is making the number one priority in the Board of Educa-tion's approved 2003-2006 Three-Year-Plan, improving health and wellness and the physical fitness of their students. Healthy lifestyle choices are strongly encouraged through programs such as the Health, Wellness and Physical Activity Initiative.

This initiative was nominated and recognized as a finalist for the 2003 Premier's Award for School Board Innovation and Excellence. The initiative supports schools in participating in a school-based health, wellness and physical activity plan or in joining the Ever Active Schools Program. The program contrib-utes to the healthy development of children and youth by foster-ing social and physical environments that support active living and healthy attitudes and behaviors regarding nutrition. CESD is also very supportive and diligent in implementation of Alberta Education's Daily Physical Activity initiative, requiring students to be involved in 30 minutes of physical activity per day. Westglen School has already

caught on to this trend, and everyday their students are required to do a half an hour of

The school also runs a unique program called Thought', which provides their students with a breakfast every morning before classes begin

Even if a child has breakfast, every kid is hungry by the time they get here, kids are always hungry," said Westglen principal Phil Corning. "This program really makes a difference, it provides students with either a hot chocolate, milk, or juice and ei-ther a porridge, cereal, fruit cup, or waffles, which are the mo popular.

You will also find in the concessions at Westglen, healthier food choices, which the school went through a Calgary Health Region (CHR) nutrionist to Healthy snacks not only fill the concession, but you will find no junk food in the school's vending machines either. Candy and pop have been taken out and replaced with juice and water.

'Child obesity is on the rise and we are trying to tackle it, said Corning. "The Education Minister is in favor of making students as healthy as they can

Awareness through daily instruction is also being emphasized in health and physical education programs and educational displays can be spotted in schools in arious Health classes, for example, have set up displays showing how many sugar cubes are in vari-ous beverages. The sugar cubes are stacked in pyramids to create a visual demonstration. These types of displays are just some of the ways schools are educating students about the importance of a nutritionally balanced diet

runs a milk program for their young students, making milk and milk products such gurt, available for the students to buy everyday. The cost is only 50 cents each, and between 30 and 60 students take advantage of the program each day.

Ross Ford has also started discussing healthy food and drink ideas in their newsletter, with the help of Cheryl Ryan from the health unit.

The school also has a unique health concern as one of their students has a peanut allergy, so they try to keep products containing peanuts out of the school

"I think it is very important to set positive examples and to help students make healthy " said Roy Brassard, CESD Board chair.

Didsbury High School (DHS) faces their own set of issues regarding healthy food options, students are allowed to leave the school for lunch, and go and eat whatever they want. "We still have one pop vend-

ing machine and a juice one," said Steve Thompson, DHS prin-"In our store we also have healthy options, and some not so healthy ones. We need to have this variety here, because we want to encourage our students to stay here for lunch and be

involved in the intermurals we have everyday during the noon hour. If we have only healthy tions, the students are more likely to leave and go else where."

The school has an excellent physical education program, which Thompson is very proud of.

"Gym is an option after grade 10, and we have the highest percentage of students continuing on in the program," said Thompson. We have intermurals everyday at lunch, and we really try to get the students to stick around for them and get involved."

DHS also has many sports

teams, and will be getting another one this spring when the they introduce rugby to their male stu dents. They also have a weight room open for students to use at lunch time and after school.

CESD Superintendent, Jim Gibbons, said that through edu-cation and awareness CESD can support students in the lifestyle decisions they make, and do its part to keep students healthy in mind, body, and character.
"The healthier the students the

better they do academically," said Corning. "It makes a big difference here everyday.

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Transmission line questions addressed at open house

by Todd W. Hurman

Rural landowners affected by a proposed high voltage line across central Alberta are taking little solace in promises that they will be fairly compensated, despite what provincial regulators are saying. While frigid tempera-

While frigid temperatures and poor weather conditions kept many landowners at bay on Dec. 5, nearly 100 people attended an open house at Olds College about the construction of a 500-kilovolt transmission line proposed by Altalink, a Quebecand Ontario-owned company that owns 85 per cent of the province's transmission system, and not everyone in attendance liked what they saw.

they saw.

"I understand thir backyard, none of us want it. It's inevitable that it's going to happen, but as far as I can tell it's just big business out to make money," said Ed Wassenaar, who owns a quarter sector north of Red Lodge.

"I just came here to tell these guys there is only two ways it's going to happen on my property – if they buy it at a premium, premium, premium price or I get free power for the rest of my life," he half-laughed.

Wassenaar is just one landowner out of a possible 2,500 that could see 500 kV towers littered across their property after the Alberta Energy and Utilities Board (EUB) gave Altalink the go ahead in April to construct the 335-kilometre line that will cut through acres of pristine wilderness and productive farmland from the Genesee substation, west of Edmonton, to Langdon, east of Calgary, to help alleviate system constraints and improve efficiency in Canada's fastest growing corridor.

ing corridor.

Wassenaar said having a tower on his land is "a health issue for me. It's a conversation issue, it's a land devaluation issue."

"I've seen what's happened with farmers in the past in terms of compensation and ... I can see they weren't dealt with fairly in the past and I can't see how they can force it (on farmers) now"

Wassenaar is not alone either. The United Power

The United Power Transmission Area Groups (UPTAG) represents a number of local landowners and wants Altalink to build the line elsewhere and is recommending to farmers and property owners not to sign agreements with

"There's more work to be dealt with regarding the opposition to the power lines running in this particular corridor," said president Glenn Smith, who lives west of Didsbury and already has nine transmission towers on his land

"We feel the power lines should go to the eastern part of the province where the land production (per acre) isn't as great and it is less populated," he said.

Smith receives \$115 per tower a month and said the towers on his property have devaluated his land. He said the towers are also a health risk and difficult to farm around as well

to farm around as well.
One woman, who
wished to remain unnamed, said she has had
towers on her property
northeast of Olds since
1966, and of all the companies that have owned
them – from Calgary
Power to TransAlta –
Altalink has been by far

"Altalink is fantastic. We don't a problem with them at all, they have treated us exceptionally well," said the women, who has eight towers across two quarter sections.

Neil Millar, vicepresident of transmission with Alberta Electrical System Operator (AESO) – the company responsible for the economic planning and operation of Alberta's electrical supply – recognized that prior dealings with farmers in the past weren't the greatest but said it is necessary to upgrade the existing 240 kV line to maintain a reliable transmission source in a province with extreme tempera-

"A line is required. Electricity is just too important in this province especially in the climate we're in to risk having an unreliable transmission system. The existing system hasn't been added to in 25 years and loads to it have been climbing steadily as the province's population continues to grow," he

"Obviously the way compensation issues were handled in the past, the world has changed a lot in the last 30 years since major lines have been built in these kinds of areas and how compensation is handled needs to be reviewed to make sure people are being treated fairly."

Millar said the questions now are trying to find the best route for the transmission line to minimize the impact and find that balance between cost and technical performance and impact.

Altalink recently sweetened the pot and increased annual structure payments by 70 per cent, which will add about an extra \$100 per tower. Landowners have

Landowners have recommended burying the line, but Altalink says that would more cost almost 10 times its estimated \$340 million price tag

price tag.

EUB spokesperson
Davis Sheremata said
it is encouraging
Altalink to resolve any
issues with landowners
before it brings its application to the board
as is planned sometime
in the spring.

in the spring.

He said that the EUB will not act as a rubber stamp on the transmission line's location, as some landowners might believe, and pointed to an example in 2003 where ATCO's initial proposal to build a 240 kV line from Fort McMurray to Fort Saskatchewan was rejected and recommended to take another route because the EUB determined that the alternate route was cheaper and affected less people.

ple.

"There is a lot of factors that have to be determined yet. One thing that we can be sure is that if there is an application, it is expected that we are going to hold a hearing to gather information from all sides. And if we feel this can't be constructed safely, then we will deny it," Sheremata said.

If landowners and Altalink cannot come to an agreement before a hearing begins, they can go into Appropriate Dispute Resolutions (ADR) where a third party is involved to help settle the stalemate, which Sheremata said the EUB has had an 86 per cent success rate.

If an agreement can't be met at the ADR stage, affected landowners can apply for intervenor status to justify their case before the board. If that fails and the EUB decides to pass Altlink's proposal, and landowners believe they have sufficient evidence, they can appeal the decision before the Alberta Court of Appeals.

Pending approval

Pending approval Altalink aims to begin construction of the towers in mid-2007 and complete the project by 2009.



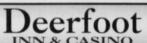
Neil Millar, AESO vice-president of transmission, talks with people at an open house at Olds College on Dec. 5 about the proposed 500 kV transmission line being proposed.

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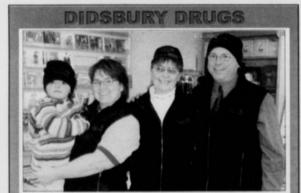
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Bancroft Womens Institute

by Eva page

Eight members met at the home of Pat Van Tetering at 1:30, Mon. Dec. 5th.

We opened the meeting by singing "Joy to the World" followed by the creed & flag salute.

Roll call was a Christmas cake recipe & we recorded 91 hours for W.I. & each paid \$0.62 for A.C.W.W.

Minutes were read & corrected. We dis-cussed teas at Chinook Winds & Aspen Lodge.

The winner of the W.I. quilt we were selling tickets on went to Irene Christinsen of Didsbury, the picture to Catherine Howell & the pens to Ron Briggley.

Out first card parties were planned, we have renamed them "Winter Social Eve-nings". Jan. 13th is the first one at Midway School.

Our Jan. meeting will be at Toni Bennetts on Jan. 9th.

Didsbury Golf Club Notes

by Dennis & Marge

A large enthusiastic crowd gath-ered at the 5-0 Centre on Nov. 30 for the annual meeting. The election of officers for 2006 took place and following is the new slate:

Past Pres. - Al Armour

Jim Tainsh

Vice Pres. - Brent Youngs Secty - Sue Kary

Treas. - Dennis MacKenzie

Ladies League Rep. Colvin Lynette

League Mens Rep. Dave Blazenko

Seniors League Rep - Bob Waters

Directors - Glen Thompson, Cliff Tuggle, Sue Hardie, Hunter, Rhonda Doug Weigum, War-ren Tersigni. Steve Robertson.

Roll Call - pay dues. We decided on audi-

tors for our books. Reports were given on the District 5 Constituency Conference

meeting Our Constituency conference will be April 22, 2006 at the Gold & Silver club at Cremona. Details to be finalized at the spring

We received memorial write ups on 2 past members Marge & Gladys Fischer & Gladys Dowell. These will be

given to their families.

Elsie Brander had the bit of fun - words made from "Christmas Stockings" - Toni Bennett won with 40 words. We packed boxes of cookies for Lodges & people in our community.

Merry all!!! Christmas



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ey are properly protected?

DR. DOBSON: I would not, because that approach has DR. DOBSON: I would not, because that approach has tennitended consequences. By recommending condom usage to teenagers we inevitably convey five dangerous ideas: (1) that "safe sex" is achievable; (2) that everybody is doing it; (3) that responsible adults expect them to do it; (4) that it's a good thing; and (5) that their peers know they know these things, breeding promiscuity. Those are very destructive messages to give our kids. give our kids.

Furthermore, Planned Parenthood's own data show that the No. 1 reason teenagers engage in intercourse is peer pre-sure! Therefore, anything we do to imply that "everybody doing it" results in more -- not fewer -- teens who give the

What I'm saying is that our condom distribution programs do not reduce the number of kids exposed to the disease -- they radically increase it! And consider this: Research indicates that where disease prevention is concerned, the failure rate of condoms is incredibly high, perhaps 50 percent or greater. Con-doms also fail to protect against some STDs that are trans-mitted from areas not covered (the base of the male genitalia,

After 25 years of teaching safe-sex ideology, and more than 2 billion federal dollars invested in selling this notion, we have a medical disaster on our hands. More than 500,000 cases of a medical disaster on our hands. More than 500,000 cases of herpes occur annually, and the number of reported cases of chlamydia has risen 281 percent since 1987. Forty-six percent of chlamydia cases occur in teenage girls ages 15 to 19. In addition, there are now more than 24 million cases of HPV (human papilloma virus) in the United States, with a higher prevalence among teens.

Having acknowledged these problems, why in the world would I recommend this so-called "solution" to my son or daughter? Look at it this way. Suppose my kids were skydivers whose parachutes had been demonstrated to fail 50 percent of the time. Would I suggest that they simply buckle the chutes tighter? Certainly not. I would say, "Please don't jump. Your life is at stake!" How could I, as a loving father, do less?

I should add that, despite the popular myth to the contrary, teens can understand, accept and implement the abstinence message. It's not true that young people are sexual robots, hopelessly incapable of controlling their own behavior. As a matter of fact, almost 50 percent of all high school students are virgins today, even though hardly anybody has told them it is a good thing. These kids desperately need to be affirmed in their decision and held up as positive examples for others. None of this will be accomplished by pushing condoms.

QUESTION: I read in the paper that a 14-year-old boy shot a woman in the face for no reason at all. Things like that are happening all around us. When I was a kid I wouldn't even have sassed a teacher, much less assaulted one. Today the level of violence among the young is like nothing I've

seen! Please comment on this.

DR. DOBSON: You are right, an epidemic of violence is occurring among the young that is expected to actually worsen in the next few years. During a meeting of Prison Fellowship workers in our city, a group of hardened former criminals said the kids growing up today scare them because they have no consciences. They can kill without a hint of remorse. It is true.

In Seattle a few years ago, two boys, 12 and 13, beat to death a person coming out of a convenience store. There was no motive except a desire to brutalize someone -- anyone -no motive except a desire to brutalize someone — anyone — with a baseball bat. In Virginia, a 14-year-old shot the driver of a nearby car six times in the face. Why? "Because he looked at me," the boy said. In Los Angeles, a family made a wrong turn down a street and was subjected to a hail of gunfire that killed their little girl. Gang members poured bullets into the car for the sheer fun of it. And finally, who can forget the 5-year-old Chicago boy who was pushed from an upper-story window and fell to his death. His killers were 10 and 11 years old. This kind of random violence is more common among old. This kind of random violence is more common among children and adolescents today than ever before in our his-

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From St. Cyprian's ACW

by Merrilee Anthony

The wonderful aroma of warm Christmas Pudding filled our hall and the community waited patiently at the door for the opening of the annual Christ-mas Pudding Tea held Novemhas rudding rea held November 26th. It would seem the bak-ing skills of the ACW members are not a very well kept secret and the Bake Table was stam-peded! Our Tea was well attended and we thank everyone for their generous support. The Advent ason is upon us and a number of our group were choir mem-bers at the community service held recently. The church and hall have been cleaned anticipating a busy Christmas Season. Our new executive will be announced at the January meet-ing and the Catering Roster has been finalized for the upcoming year. A moving piece was read by our Education Chair at our last meeting. It was entitled, His Mysterious Ways. The story told of a Grade 2 class who had been busy making Christmas cards in preparations of a visit to nearby nursing home. The chil-dren had decorated their construction paper cards with draw-ings of snowflakes, presents, Christmas trees and glitter. One child's, however, was simply a cutout of a Christmas stocking. There were no colorful additions and no glitter. When the teacher asked why the card wasn't decorated the little girl replied that she had written something speto the front. The teacher assured her that that was okay but carefully put the unfinished card on the bottom of the pile.

The children walked to the nursing home where they sang carols with the residents but had to leave hurriedly when the weather turned nasty. The teacher left the Christmas Cards the children made with the Director to distribute. The next day the Director called to thank the teacher for bringing the children saying that the folks loved their visit and the beautiful cards they had made. The

teacher hesitantly asked, "What about the last card, it was rather about the last card, it was rather plain." The Director said the man who received it was over-joyed. "He is blind", she ex-plained, "and he ran his finger around the edges of the card and around the edges of the card and exclaimed, It's a Christmas Stocking. How wonderful!" Then he asked me to read the message inside. It said, "I made this just for you." Indeed she had. Our next meeting will be in the form of a Christmas Luncheon to be held at the church hall on Monday Decemchurch hall on Monday, December 19th at 1:30 p.m. Everyone welcome to join us

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Let's Continue to Keep Hockey SAFE & FUN

partnership Hockey Canada, Chevorlet Safe & the Fun Hockey program was devel-oped for parents, minor league players and coaches to be much more than a "how to" course on the fundamentals of hockey. It's also a philosophy that's de-signed to help today's hockey enthusiasts develop positive attitude towards healthy competition, coop-erative teamwork, fair play and grace under pressure.

Didsbury's Minor Hockey Association encompasses this philosophy in their "Let's Play" Program. Re-spect and responsibility de-note values that encompass a wide range of attitudes and behaviours that all of us should aspire toward. It is important that these values be learned and shown by our players, coaches, officials, parents, and spectators That's why our association supports and continues to build on its Let's Play Program. Hockey is arguably one of the greatest games on earth, and in the arena, everyone is there to enjoy the game. Today we are sending a salute to all of the members of DMHA who strive to promote a positive and re-spectful attitude, and celebrate the amazing talents of the youth in our pro-

Action this week:

Novice: Winning both games this weekend, the scores were: 6-3 vs Sundre 1 and 8-3 vs Red Deer Nov-

Atom: The Atoms played a league game against Morrin, a result of the realignment. Final score was 9-5. It was nice to welcome back Zac Overwater who, despite the cast on his hand, was able to contribute 4 points to the win. PeeWees: Saturday

Peewees: Saturday, the Peewees played in Didsbury, against Canmore, to win 4-2. Sunday , the team traveled to Stavely, to play Okotoks. They suffered a

loss, 7-2. Bantams: A busy week end, with close games for our Bantams. On Friday, they traveled to Oyen for the 4-2. Saturday Didsbury against Oyen, they

lost 6-5. Sunday, the team defeated Cochrane - 5-3. Midgets: Had a win and a loss this past weekend. They played a hard disciplined game Saturday night and came out ahead 7-3 against Blackie. Sunday the Midgets worked hard but undisciplined penalties hurt them as they lost 7-5 in Cochrane. The Midgets have a tough weekend ahead as they play this Friday evening in Blackie, back home Saturday at 5:30 pm against Rockyford, then to High River for a Sunday afternoon game.

Didsbury Mens Open Bonspiel

by Barry & Marge

With the finals in all 4 events being played on Sun-day, the results are as follows:

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cellent food was enjoyed by

ROCKY MOUNTAIN LIGHTNING

Lightning Win Two on the Road

The Rocky Mountain Lightning traveled to Bonnyville on Friday night to take on the Pan-thers. Ryan Miller opened scoring on a nice breakaway goal.

Then Scott Kennedy popped in a goal on a set up from Arnold and from Arnoid Wickam. The Panthers replied with a pair to end the first 2-2.

The second period was all Mike Arnold as the Lightning sniper scored a natural hat-trick on some natural hat-trick on some fancy passing from teammates Kollins, Kennedy, Wickam and Courtney to give the Lightning the 5-2 lead.

In the third the Panthers scored on the power play and then again on a giveaway in the third to

tighten up the score at 5-4, until Kody Wickam buried an Arnold pass giving the Lightning a 6-4 lead. Matt William sealed the deal for the Lightning with an empty net goal to end the game 7-

then off to was Lloydminister to play the Blazers in a double header Saturday and Sunday. The troops got caught with their heads down and were badly outplayed in the first period, going into the second down 4-1.

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They tried to rally back with goals from Arnold and Zellwiger in the second. But in the third the Blazers notched their third powerplay goal of the game to defeat the Lightning 5-3.

Sunday saw the Lightning come back hard when

Ryan Miller slid one in on a feed from Kollins and Arnold beat the Blazer goalie on a nice wrist shot ending the first period 2-0. In the second the Blazers finally scored after numerous powerplay oppor-tunities ending the second 2-1. The third period saw Lefebvre go in alone and deek out the Blazer netminder. Then Kollins slapped in a screened point shot on the Light-

point shot on the Light-ning powerplay.

Then the Blazers bounced back with 2 goals but the Lightning held on and in the dying seconds Arnold scored in the empty net to round out the scoring on a well deserved 6-3 victory.

The Lighting play at home on Tuesday, Dec. 13 at 7:30 against the Edge.



Straight From the Table - 13.12.05

Council works through the budget process

Budget Planning

Council has been hard at it working through the process of developing the 2006 budget in light of organizational changes, and long term planning priorities. An interim budget will be reviewed at the next Council meeting. The final budget will be ratified spring 2006.

Council Supports RCMP Highway Patrol Unit
Council will be signing a letter of support to the Alberta Solicitor General regarding the establishment of an RCMP Highway Patrol Unit to
be based out of Olds.

Holiday Hours for the County

The County office will close at noon on December 23rd, 2005 and reopen on December 28th. The office will be closed for the New Year's Holiday on January 2nd and reopen at 8:00 AM on January 3rd. This is the case for all County facilities except in the event of emergencies (including excessive snow falls) in which case appropriate staff will be available. 911 operators will be working throughout the holidays and emergency crews are on standby

In a move to provide improved service levels and efficiencies in Public Works operations, Council approved a new compressed work schedule and organizational model. The new approach includes both a core of full time employees and casual workers (replacing seasonal crew) and provides for a 24/7 on call team to respond to emergencies and snow removal requirements. Details of the new organizational model will be posted on the web site shortly

Flood Tax Deferrals Now Due

Residents who were given a tax deferral due to flood damage are reminded that taxes are due on December 15th. Please contact the County office at 335-3311 if there are any questions or concerns.

Residents who requested a full or partial tax cancellation because of flood damage should have received a phone call (with a follow up letter) indicating the status of your request. If you have requested a full or partial cancellation due to flood damage and you have not heard from the County office, please call immediately. Any taxes not cancelled or reduced are due and payable on December 15th.



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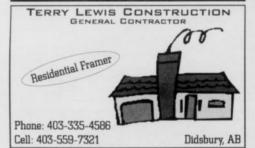
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Born in St. Stephen, NB February 6, 1921. Passed away peacefully at the Foothills Hospital on December 5, 2005, in his 85th vear. Ralph was a WWII Veteran, and obtained a Bachelor of Science degree in forestry from UNB in 1948. His forestry career took Ralph and family

across Canada several times. from Newfoundland to British Columbia. He settled in Didsbury in 1979, managing the Sears outlet with wife Gwen, combined with daughter Laurie's material/ notions store, and later moving to a different location with Sears combined with a flower and gift shop. He retired in 1985, slipping easily into a life of gardening, grandchildren, reading and relaxing. Ralph was an avid lobster and freshwater fisherman, enjoyed five-pin bowling and carpet bowling. He was instrumental in the beginnings of the Didsbury Lawn Bowling site and took great pride in the exceptional greens that were created. Ralph served the communities

he lived in, in several capacities, including alderman, church elder, a member of various committees and was twice president of the local 5-0 Club. His family will lovingly remember him for his quiet, loving nature.

He is survived by his loving wife Gwen of 55 years, daughter Laurie Winter of Fredericton NB. son Richard (Denise) Holmes of Likely BC, Elaine (Chris) Balul of Big Lake BC and Barbara (Perry) Aarts of Didsbury. He is lovingly remembered by his 10 grandchildren; Marilyn, Morgan, Peter, Jordan, Gabriel, Caitlin, Joyce, Michael, Jennifer and Kimberley, also by 9 great grandchildren: Kiera. Laura, Emily, Corbin, Breena,

Emilie and Dylan and sister Evelyn (Stewart) Clarke of Lawrencetown NS. His daughter Elizabeth May, son Stephen Ralph and his three brothers predecease him.

A celebration of Life was held at the Knox United Church in Didsbury on Thursday, December 8, 2005 with Rev. Rob Moore officiating. Arrangements entrusted to Mountain View Funeral Chapel, 5226- 46 Street, Olds, AB T4H 1B8. Phone: (403) 556-3223.

If friends so desire, memorial tributes may be made to the Robertson / Holmes Memorial Scholarship/Bursary Fund through the local Mountain View Funeral Chanel.

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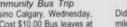
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Learning Disabilities of Alberta, Mtn. View
Chapter. Support and info for parents and teachers dealing with learning disabilities. For info call Susan at 335-3174.

GAMBLERS ANONYMOUS Gamblers Anonymous (G.A.) starting Monday, January 22 from 7 - 9 p.m. in the Assembly Room at the Hospital Unit 4.

DIDSBURY PRESCHOOL

is now accepting registrations for 2005-2006 school year. This non-profit organization offers educational and social pro gramming for children 3 to 5 years old. For information or to register your child, please call: Cherrie 335-8818 or 335-8039

DIDSBURY-DIAL-A-BUS Scheduled transportation for anyone on Mondays, Wednesdays & Fridays 9 - 3. Please call day prior or by 8:00 a.m. for pick up. 507-0208. Wheelchair accessible. Sponsored by the Didsbury Lions Club.

INFORMATION

Mountain View La Leche League, a group which offers information and support for breastfeeding mothers. We also meet the 3rd Tuesday mornings of each month 10 a.m. Olds Scout Hall. Phone 556-3807 for information.

DIDSBURY MENTAL HEALTH CLINIC

Provides free accessible mental health services. Which incl. assessments, individual family & group counselling & crisis intervention. Mon. to Fri. 8:30-4:00.

Hall Rental To rent Rosebud Hall, please call 335-1969.

Alcoholics Anonymous meetings days 8:30 p.m. at the Masonic Hall, Didsbury, 21 Ave. and 21 St. For infor-mation call Colleen at 335-8484 or Rick at 335-9525

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That is celebrating any of these special events?

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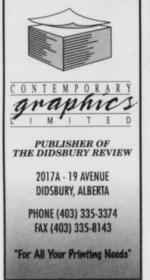
OLDS

W.H.O.A.S
Wild Horses of Alberta Society. Help preserve these magnificent animals in their natural environment, Meetings are the first Tues. of every month at Olds Cow Palace, 8 p.m. Call Doreen at 556-6167 for more information.

MEETING
Adoption Support Group of Olds and area meet the 3rd Tuesday of every month. For more information contact Susan at 335-

Sundre Toastmasters Meetings every Thursday at 7:00 p.m. in Sundre. Call Sue at 335-9477 for more information.

Mountain View Sheep Producers Meetings on the first Monday of each month from October to June, at 7:30 p.m. in Olds. Call Sue at 335-9477 for more information.



DIDSBURY

5-0 Club Hall Rentals For hall rentals &/or info regarding the hall please call Bea Niedersteine 335-3058

Citizens on Patrol Didsbury/Carstairs. Driving in a neighbourhood near you. To volunteer call

Hall rental
To rent Mountain View Community Hall for meetings, community events, family or group reunions call John 335-8860

Growing Opportunities
"GO" is a Canada Prenatal Nutrition Program that offers services to pregnant women and teens. Staff are on site every second Friday. 335-7292.

SPORTS

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Spectator tips:

Sled dog racing can provide your family with unique and ex-citing entertainment. Consider the following tips to ensure you enjoy the sport at its fullest.

Never bring your pets to the race site. Drivers of racing teams cannot be responsible for the safety of your animals. Races can be dis-

all the pictures you want. However if you are using a Polaroid, please be aware that the chemicals used in the film are poisonous to dogs. All photographers should make sure that their activities do not

startle the dogs or interfere with a

rupted by pets on or along the course.

• Bring your camera and take

team's progress.

• Sudden moves toward or away from the trail may cause a team to bolt so pick your position and hold it until all teams in your

area have passed your post.

• Never offer a dog treats and

always ask before petting.

Naturally, if a dog shows signs of nervousness, this is not

the time to form an alliance with him. He has important business at hand and should not be dis-tracted. Many people feel that they "have a way with animals" but a

sled dog race is not the place to test that theory.

• Keep toddlers in hand. Ea-ger dogs, ready to run, may leap or rear up in anticipation of the

race and it would be unfortunate to have an accident that was the

fault of neither dog nor child.

Cooperate with race officials.

Stay clear of the trail. Stand well back as anyone too close may distract the dogs and cause them to bolt or balk. It's easier for everyone to have a clear view of the teams if the crowd is not jammed.



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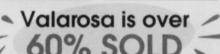
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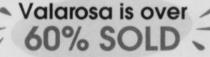
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